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SUBJECT: ABRASIMOV REMARKS ON STATUS OF WEST BERLIN

REF: BERLIN 5506

1. SEVERAL WEST BERLIN CONTACTS HAVE ASKED WHETHER ALLIES PLAN TO REPLY TO ABRASIMOV'S MARCH 10 REMARKS ON WEST BERLIN STATUS. THUS FAR IN WEST BERLIN, FRENCH CHAIRMAN PRESS OFFICER HAS SAID IN REPLY TO QUESTIONS THAT WHAT MR. ABRASIMOV SAID IS MR. ABRASIMOV'S RESPONSIBILITY, BUT NOTHING HE SAID CAN AFFECT ALLIED POSITION ON THE STATUS OF BERLIN.

2. OVER WEEKEND GOVMAYOR SCHUETZ EXPANDED HIS MARCH 11 REMARKS (USBER 722) IN TELLING WEEKLY TV SHOW THAT ABRASIMOV PLACED HIMSELF IN CONTRADICTION TO WHAT THE SOVIET UNION AGREED WITH THE ALLIES BEFORE AND IN THE QA. A PART OF THE QA APPLIES ONLY TO WEST BERLIN, BUT THE QA AS A WHOLE APPLIES TO ALL OF BERLIN. ONE MUST ALWAYS RESIST, SCHUETZ SAID, WHEN THIS AGREEMENT, FUNDAMENTAL FOR US, IS TREATED ABOMINABLY. HE TERMED WORTHY OF WONDERMENT THE SOVIET EFFORT TO REDUCE ITS RESPONSIBILITY FOR EAST BERLIN AND ASSIST THE GDR IN ACQUIRING ITS
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OWN RESPONSIBILITY AND SOVEREIGNTY, ALTHOUGH THE SOVIET UNION SELF-EVIDENTLY KNOWS IT IS COMPETENT FOR BERLIN AS ONE OF THE FOUR POWERS AND BEHAVES ACCORDINGLY.

3. MORGENPOST MARCH 13 PROMINENTLY FEATURED AMBASSADOR RUSH STATEMENT THAT THE QA IS APPLICABLE FOR ALL OF BERLIN

WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTIONS, IN PARTICULAR THAT THE
MILITARY RIGHTS OF THE WESTERN ALLIES IN THE SOVIET
SECTOR REMAIN FULLY VALID.

4. COMMENT: RECOGNIZING THAT WAR OF WORDS ABOUT
STATUS OF EAST BERLIN MAY BECOME TIRESOME, WE STILL
BELIEVE THAT SOME OFFICIAL RESPONSE SHOULD BE MADE TO
ABRASIMOV'S STATEMENT. WE ASSUME THAT BONN GROUP
IS CONSIDERING THIS QUESTION AND RECOMMEND THAT
EMBASSIES ISSUE A SEQUAL TO THEIR JANUARY 6 STATEMENT.
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